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Sir:

In order to insure compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, enclosed are form 1449 and copies (except cites 1 and 2) of the references listed thereon. These references are discussed on pages 1 to 3 of the application.

The application for cite 7 is a continuation of the application for cite 2, which is a continuation of the application for cite 1. See the "Related U.S. Application Data" for cite 7 (U.S. patent 5,385,581 to Bramm et al). Therefore, these other patents (cites 1 and 2) are cumulative. Accordingly, copies of the patents of cites 1 and 2 are not provided since a copy of one of the cumulative patents (cite 7) is being provided, as allowed by 37 CFR 1.98(c).

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